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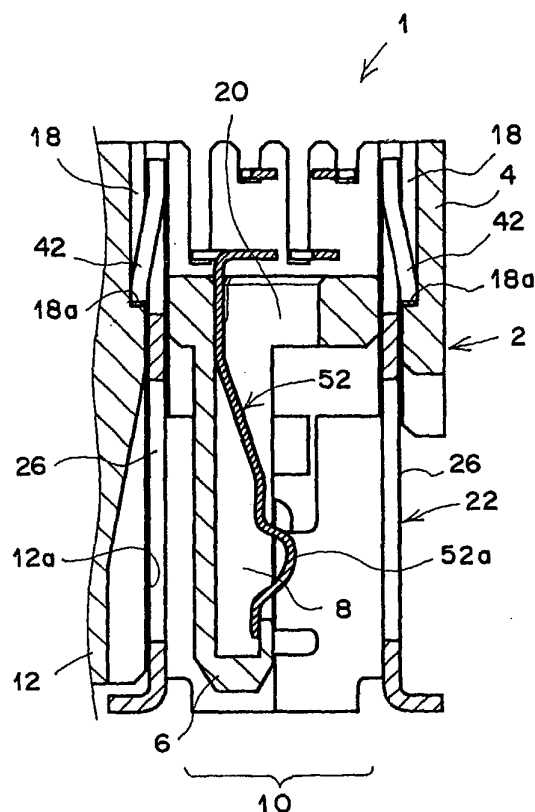
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(54) **Shielded connector assembly**

(57) A shielded connector assembly (1) having shield shells (22) each mounted to separately shield connector portions (10) of an integrally formed insulative housing (2). Side walls (26) of the shield shells (22) are positioned within slots of the housing (2). Latch tongues (42) of the side walls (26) engage shoulders (18a) of the housing (2), and a latch tongue piece of an upper wall of each shield shell (22) engages a housing stopper portion. The shield shells (22) are accordingly prevented from being pulled out from the housing (2). The side walls (26) are supported so that movement perpendicular to partition walls (12) separating the connector portions (10) is prevented by the side walls (26) being positioned between support surfaces (12a) of the partition walls (12) and a base portion (4) of the housing (2). The connector assembly (1) has a small number of parts and a high resistance against prying forces exerted by another connector.

FIG.13





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